

BRIEF STATE NEWS

Danbury.—The police made two liquor raids Sunday and took seventeen prisoners.

Stamford.—A new German singing society, the Stamford Männerchor, has recently been organized in town.

Ansonia.—Redshaw post, G. A. R., of Ansonia, visited George Van Horn post, G. A. R., at Milford Monday evening.

Middletown.—Of the 385 partridge sent here about a week ago by the fish and game commissioners, about 50 have already died.

Bristol.—It is probable that operations on the improvements of the railroad line between here and Waterbury will be resumed in a few months.

Hartford.—Rev. J. B. Faunce, assistant pastor of Christ church in Hartford, has accepted a call to be first assistant pastor of St. Mark's church in New York city.

South Norwalk.—Henry I. Smith, first sergeant of Company B, Twenty-third regiment, C. V., under Captain James H. Jenkins, was a wideawake marching in procession in New York in October, 1890.

Meriden.—Dr. John Tatt, Meriden's oldest physician, was 81 years old Tuesday. He was born in Trumbull, Conn., February 16, 1828, and came to Meriden 35 years ago when there were only 2,700 people in the town.

New London.—District Deputy Grand Master Abraham Gordon installed the newly elected officers of Lodge No. 296, Order Brith Abraham, at the meeting held in Pythian hall Sunday night. Joseph Solomon was president.

Norwalk.—Sheriff Sidney E. Hawley has announced the appointments of Thomas A. Skelly to be deputy at Norwalk and of Samuel C. Ireland to be deputy at South Norwalk, to take the place of Deputy Soule, who resigned.

New Haven.—The formal opening of the Mary S. Russell maternity ward of Grace hospital took place Tuesday, when the members of the women's board of the hospital and the nurses received during the afternoon and evening.

Newtown.—Judge Michael J. Bradley, prominent democratic politician, died Sunday afternoon from a complication of diseases. Deceased was 51 years of age and for fourteen years was judge of probate of the Newtown district.

Fair Haven.—One of the interesting features in the line of exhibits at the big motor boat show of the Waucoma Yacht club at the Guilford ring, will be the fast flyer Den, which the British-American company of Bridgeport will send. This is the fastest speed boat in Connecticut waters and can reel it off at the rate of 28 miles an hour, which is going fast enough to catch a trolley car.

BUCHANAN RETURNING.
American Commissioner to Venezuela on the Des Moines.

Williamstadt, Curacao, Feb. 16.—The cruiser Des Moines left here today for La Guayra, Venezuela, where she will take on board W. L. Buchanan and proceed with him to Guantanamo, Cuba. The American gunboat Marietta passed here last night on her way to Guantanamo. Mr. Buchanan will transfer to the Marietta at that port and continue his journey north on her.

Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks to Make World Tour.
Washington, Feb. 16.—Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks are contemplating taking a trip around the world shortly after the adjournment of congress. They probably will take a steamer at San Francisco, visiting Hawaii and the Philippine islands, then China and Japan, and returning via Europe. The time of their return is not definitely fixed.

Senator Brewster served as cook for his fraternity in order to aid in paying his way through college.

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RESOURCES

United States, City and R. R. Bonds, and Stocks . . .	\$99,630,935.56
Bonds and Mortgages	90,795,319.02
Real Estate	22,444,627.78
Demand Loans on Collateral	2,192,702.00
Cash	4,775,988.79
Loans to Policy-holders	8,966,362.78
Premiums, deferred and in course of collection (net) . . .	5,300,922.97
Accrued Interest, Rents, etc.	2,820,502.29
	\$236,927,361.19

ASSETS, \$236,927,361.19

The Metropolitan paid its Policy-holders in 1908 for Death Claims, Endowments, Annuities, Paid-up Policies, Dividends, Bonuses, etc., with the amount set aside on their behalf as increased Reserve

\$50,656,701.34

It has paid to its Policy-holders since organization, plus the amount invested and now on hand for their security

\$470,366,769.36

OBLIGATIONS

Dividends Apportioned, payable 1909, on Participating Policies, Intermediate Branch	\$1,382,722.00
Same on Participating Policies, Ordinary Dept.	104,203.73
<small>(Note. Nearly all this Company's Ordinary Policies are Non-Participating—issued at low rates of premium.)</small>	
Bonuses Apportioned, payable 1909, on Industrial Policies	2,650,000.00
	\$4,136,925.73
Reinsurance Fund and Special Reserve	208,134,891.00
All other Liabilities	2,532,637.34
Capital and Surplus	22,122,907.12
	\$236,927,361.19

The Metropolitan has more premium paying business in force in the United States than any other company.

The Metropolitan has in force one-third of all the legal reserve policies in force in the United States. Its Industrial policies in force nearly equal in number all the Industrial policies of all the other companies in the country combined.

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Life Ins. Co.

JOHN R. HEGEMAN, President

COMPARISONS, ETC.

Income in 1908	\$76,732,343.24
Gain over 1907	\$3,618,182.35
Surplus in 1908	\$22,122,907.12
Increase over 1907	\$8,171,007.98
Total Number of Policies in Force	9,960,106
Gain over 1907	340,097
Total Amount Outstanding Insurance, \$1,861,890,803.00	

INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT

INSURANCE IN FORCE, \$1,334,951,425

Number of Industrial policies in force, 9,301,001—insuring over six and a half millions of individual lives in the families of wage-earners. While the contracts are and always have been non-participating, the Company will this year have spent nearly EIGHTEEN millions of dollars in voluntary bonuses and concessions to the holders of these policies in thirteen years.

Cash bonuses on all whole life policies are annually allowed, amounting to over 8 per cent. of the premiums for a year. Additions of from 5 to 30 per cent. are made to policies maturing as claims, according to time policies have persisted. By the Company's present practice whole life policies are made free after age 75 or paid as endowments at age 80.

Industrial Insurance is Family Insurance, covering all ages from 1 to 70 on life, endowment and annuity plans.

A REASONABLE INDICATION OF THE DESERVED POPULARITY of its plans and of faith in its management may be fairly claimed in the number of Metropolitan policies in force. It is not only greater than that of any other company in America, but greater than that of all the other regular companies combined, less one. It exceeds, in fact, the COMBINED POPULATION of 24 of the States and Territories out of the 52 forming the American Union; and as to CITIES, it exceeds the combined population of Greater New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston, St. Louis, Cleveland, Cincinnati, San Francisco, Pittsburgh, Baltimore, New Orleans and Buffalo.

The Company OF the People,

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(INCORPORATED BY THE STATE OF NEW YORK. STOCK COMPANY)

THE DAILY AVERAGE of Business During 1908 was
441 per day in Number of Claims Paid.
6,343 per day in Number of Policies Placed and Paid for.
\$1,202,352.87 per day in New Insurance Placed and Paid for.
\$166,633.89 per day Paid Policy-holders and Added to Reserve.
\$126,996.37 per day in Increase of Assets.

ORDINARY DEPARTMENT INSURANCE IN FORCE, \$526,939,378

The Company issues policies for from \$1,000 to \$1,000,000 on individual lives, premiums payable quarterly, semi-annually or annually.

All policies are non-participating. They are plain business contracts which tell their whole story on their face; leave nothing to the imagination; borrow nothing from hope; require definite conditions and make definite promises in dollars and cents.

PREMIUMS ARE LOWER THAN ARE OFFERED BY ANY OTHER COMPANY

In the Intermediate Branch policies are adapted to the working classes. Each policy is for \$500 and the rate lower than that offered by the Savings Bank system of Massachusetts. Two of the Metropolitan's Intermediate forms recently standardized by the New York and Massachusetts Departments provide for attractive combinations of insurance and annuities at the lowest rates offered anywhere.

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Thames Loan & Trust Co. Bldg.

The Ratio of Expense to Premium Income was the Lowest In the Company's History

Being over 8 per cent. less than five years ago and more than 15 per cent. less than ten years ago

The Company wrote more business in 1908 than any other Company in the world, and this for the fifteenth consecutive year

The number of policies paid in 1908 averaged one for each sixty-five seconds of each business day of 8 hours, and in amount \$128.48 a minute, the year through. The value and timeliness of its policy payments may be gleaned from the fact that of the claims paid during the year, 3,479 were under policies less than three months old, 6,890 were on policies under 6 months, and 12,986 were within the first year of insurance.

H. J. MARSHALL, Asst., 14 Broad St., Westerly, R. I.
M. E. SULLIVAN, Asst., 694 Main St., Willimantic, Conn.

J. T. COLLINS, Asst., Slater Avenue, Taftville, Conn.
J. H. RAFFERTY, Asst., Bradley Bldg., Front St., Putnam, Conn.

LOOKING UP WESTERLY ITALIAN

Foolish Errand of New York City Girl—Chief Bransfield and Joseph T. Murphy on Trail of Horse Thieves—Gavitt Liquor Case on the Docket for Friday—Divorce Day in Superior Court.

Through the kindness of relatives, William Burdick escaped a term in jail, as did also his associates in crime—Asher and Boyd. They pleaded guilty to taking and using the Armour horse from Young's stable and one of Young's carriages. The Asher and Boyd lines were paid immediately after they were imposed, but the Burdick line was settled just as the young man was to be taken to the Providence county jail in default of payment. This criminal episode brought to the granary of the Third district court the sum of \$77.46, while the owner of the horse has an animal of decreased value by having been overriden and in out several dollars agent in telephoning and telegraphing in an endeavor to locate the horse. The owner of the horse and carriage receives no recompense for damage and wear and tear.

It is a question which suffered the greater pecuniary loss, the fellows who took without leave the horse, carriage and harness, or the owners thereof.

The liquor case against Oliver E. Gavitt of the Martin Pharmacy is given for trial in the Third district court next Friday and promises to be of more than ordinary interest, as the defendant is determined not to submit to the charges preferred against him, right or wrong, but will give the matter a thorough legal thrashing. Mr. Gavitt's counsel will be A. B. Crafts of Providence and A. T. L. Ledwith. Town Solicitor Kingley has called to his assistance George A. Huddy of Providence, who as attorney for the Rhode Island Temperance league, has had much experience in the prosecution of liquor cases.

Chief Bransfield has succeeded in locating the horse and carriage stolen from Joseph T. Murphy last Saturday morning, aided by the police of Norwich, Willimantic and Stamford. It appears that the team was in Norwich Saturday night and there was a confederate of the man who engaged the team from Mr. Murphy to drive to Clark's Falls for two men put up at a Norwich hotel and left Monday morning without paying for their lodging. Up to that time Mr. Murphy did not realize that the team had been stolen, and no description of the team or thief had been sent out Sunday night, the men with the team turned a trick similar to that played in Norwich upon a Willimantic hotel.

Monday night the two men, with horse and carriage, arrived in Stamford, where the fellows were described as the Norwich and Willimantic hotel beats. One was arrested, but the other escaped, and the horse and carriage were held by orders of the police in a Stamford stable. Tuesday morning the police of both Norwich

and Willimantic gave Chief Bransfield the information related, which resulted in telephonic communication with the police of Stamford.

The Bransfield, a minute description of the stolen horse and carriage and it talked with that held by the Stamford police, although the description of the horse arrested did not agree with that of the man who engaged the team from Mr. Murphy to make a trip to Clark's Falls. It is believed that this is the chap who escaped and that his accomplice is under arrest.

The first and final account of John J. Dunn, executor of the estate of Julia Hughes, showed a balance due the executor of \$30. Judge Burke remarked: "That's the kind of an executor we should appoint; one who pays all the bills, without regard to value of the estate." The account was continued, and the court adjourned.

Tuesday was divorce day in the superior court for Washington county, in Kingston, with Judge George T. Brown on the bench. Fifty-seven cases, including several from Westchester, were passed for the session. New citation was ordered in the petition of Martha E. Woodmansee against Lacy C. Woodmansee, as proper service was not secured. Final decree was granted in the case of Seymour Potter against Gertrude E. Potter, and Mary L. Coon against Harvey A. Coon. The first divorce case called for trial was that of Ferdinand Boivin against Anna Gaslin Boivin. The judge found a discrepancy between the names in the complaint and in the marriage certificate, and the case was continued to Thursday, to be held at the session in Westchester. The case of Ida F. Burdick against Byron D. Burdick was also passed to be heard in Westchester.

The probate appeal of Frank W. Coy, administrator of the estate of Charles H. Fayerweather, against the Sweeney granite works, was heard on an agreed statement of fact. Judge Brown took the papers.

The principal case assigned for trial in Westchester Thursday, is that of Robert Edwards against the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company, in which he seeks to recover \$25,000 for the loss of both legs. There was a report current Tuesday afternoon that this case will be settled without trial.

Slas T. Nye of Natick has been appointed principal of the Elm street school, succeeding Charles I. Gates, whose resignation goes into effect on March 1, to enable him to take a more lucrative position in the schools of Boston. Mr. Nye was educated at the Providence high school and Brown university, and has had twelve years' experience as an instructor, and for the past seven years in charge of the schools of Natick. He is secretary of the Rhode Island Grammar Masters' association and a member of the Barnard club.

Local Laconics.

Rev. John G. Dutton addressed the Men's club of the Baptist church in Stonington Tuesday evening.

The committee of the Westchester district nursing society held a session on Tuesday afternoon to complete a plan of organization, for presentation to a general meeting in the evening.

It is said that the beautiful collection of Mexican beadwork, made by the late Frank Rice, is to be given a place in the Memorial building, in compliance with the wishes of deceased.

A band to be known as the First Regiment band, Uniformed Rank, Knights of Pythias, is to be organized in Providence, Granite City camp of

Westerly is connected with the First regiment.

The fourth degree Knights of Columbus of Westerly will celebrate Washington's birthday with a banquet in the city hall. They will have as guests all members of the organization in Westerly.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Howard Clarke left Westerly Tuesday afternoon for New York, and will sail today (Wednesday) for Florida, where they will visit for three weeks. Oscar L. Wilcox and Elmer E. Vincent will also make the trip.

Death of Rear Admiral J. G. Greene. Washington, Feb. 18.—Rear Admiral

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